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Janis Sigman, Manager  
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Department of Health  
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Dear Ms. Sigman:

Please accept this letter as a letter of intent for Franciscan Health Systems dba St. Clare Hospital (SCH) is proposing to establish a new dialysis facility on the campus of St. Clare Hospital in Lakewood. This facility will have up to 10 stations. In accordance with WAC 246-310-080, the following information is provided:

1. A Description of the Extent of Services Proposed:

SCH is proposing to establish a new dialysis facility to be located on the St. Clare Hospital campus in Lakewood, Pierce County. This facility will provide in-center dialysis to end-stage renal patients residing in the area and will focus on patients either preferring or desiring dialysis contiguous to acute care.

2. Estimated Cost of the Proposed Project:

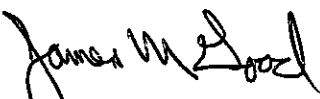
The capital expenditures are not expected to exceed \$1.5 million.

3. Description of the Service Area:

Per WAC, the service area is Pierce County. The primary service area for this dialysis center is West Pierce County.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Sincerely,



James M. Good  
Vice President, Specialty Services

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